

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: ALLIANCE COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, INC.	DOCKET NO. DRU-03-6
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ORDER SUSPENDING DOCKET AND REQUIRING SERVICE

(Issued October 8, 2003)

On September 30, 2003, Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. (Alliance), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a "Petition for a Declaratory Ruling on 199 IAC 22.3(1)"j." Alliance seeks a ruling to the effect that under the provisions of 199 IAC 22.3(1)"j," Alliance customers living in East Hudson, Iowa, are not served by an out-of-state exchange and that Alliance is not required to list the names of its East Hudson customers in the directory list of any contiguous Iowa exchanges, at Alliance's expense, pursuant to paragraph 22.3(1)"j."

Subrule 199 IAC 4.6(1) requires that petitions for declaratory orders be served upon "any persons who, based upon a reasonable investigation, would be a necessary party to the proceeding under applicable substantive law, simultaneously with their filing. The party filing a document is responsible for service on all parties and other required persons."

Based on the information provided in Alliance's petition, it appears that copies of the petition should be served upon at least some of Alliance's customers in East

Hudson, Iowa. Specifically, the petition should be mailed to any customers in East Hudson who have requested a listing in a directory published for a contiguous Iowa exchange. Service on these persons will ensure that all affected parties are aware of Alliance's petition and will allow any interested persons an opportunity to intervene and participate in this docket.

The Board will suspend docketing this petition until Alliance serves a copy of this petition with the specified customers and a certificate of service is filed with the Board. The timelines applicable to declaratory orders will not start until service is complete.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The "Petition for a Declaratory Ruling on 199 IAC 22.3(1)"j,"" filed by Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc., on September 30, 2003, and identified as Docket No. DRU-03-6, is suspended pending service of the Petition on affected customers as described in this order and a certificate of service is filed with the Board.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 8th day of October, 2003.